



593/002 CIP 2 Div.

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Robert A. VanTassel et al.
Application No. : 10/655,867 Confirmation No.: 7301
Filed : September 5, 2003
For : BARRIER DEVICE FOR COVERING THE OSTIUM OF
LEFT ATRIAL APPENDAGE
Group Art Unit : 3731
Examiner : Michael G. Mendoza

New York, New York 10020
May 9, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of the shortened statutory period set for reply to the January 11, 2005 Office Action, to extend the date for reply up to and including May 11, 2005.

The Director is authorized to charge the fee \$60.00 in payment of a one-month extension as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) to Deposit Account No. 06-1075, Order No. 000593/0002. The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075, Order No. 593/2 CIP 2 Div. A

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Enclosures:

1. Petition For Extension Of Time Pursuant To 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) - in duplicate; and
2. Return postcard.